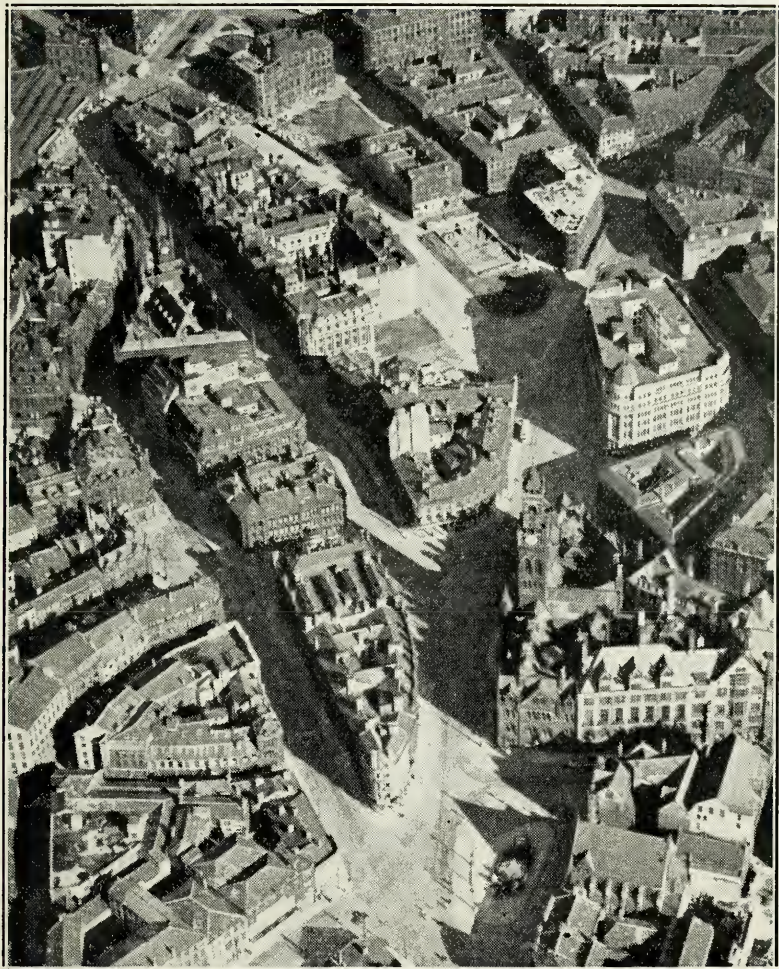


Millennial Star



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Conference City, 1938

Air view of Bradford where the M.I.A., Primary and Relief Society Conference will be held.

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CONFERENCE GREETINGS



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With joy and thanksgiving we anticipate the forthcoming M.I.A., Primary and Relief Society Conference. We are looking forward to a time of rejoicing when missionaries, members and friends can mingle together in the spirit of worship and social activity. The Bradford Convention will be a memorable occasion, and we are hoping to greet you all at that time.

Best Wishes.

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Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.
 —Matthew 19: 14

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THIS WEEK'S COVER—

THE aerial photograph on the cover shows the business district of Bradford, venue of this year's mission-wide conference. The world's central mart for wool, Bradford is the ninth provincial city of England in order of population statistics. Situated like a huge star-fish among the foot-hills of the Pennines, it is practically equi-distant from the east and west coasts and from the Scottish and English capitals. This comparatively modern city will be the scene of M.I.A., Primary and Relief Society activity next week on June 4th, 5th and 6th.

The Mutual Improvement Associations

By DR FRANKLIN S. HARRIS

President, Brigham Young University.

ONE of the practical phases of Mormonism is the work of the Mutual Improvement Associations. We use the plural because there are in reality two separate organizations—one of young men and the other of young women—although the two work very closely together.

Since young people can frequently be reached most effectively through the medium of such activities, the aim of the Mutual Improvement Associations is to direct its efforts along the following principle lines: worship, service, study and recreation. In addition to developing spirituality, which always stands out foremost among the obligations of the members of the Church, comes the desire to take every opportunity to live rightly in relation to one's fellow-men. The Associations aim to make this possible in a number of ways: in the home and family life, in community life, in political life, in vocational life, in church life, and in recreational life. Along with this an attempt is made to use every opportunity for self-improvement through correct living, in life's work, and in expressional activities.



Elder Harris

In achieving all of these ends a number of passages which have become almost axiomatic in Latter-day Saint literature are kept constantly in mind. Among these are the following: "This is life eternal that they might know thee, the only true God, and

Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." "The glory of God is intelligence." "It is impossible for a man to be saved in ignorance." "Truth is knowledge of things as they are, as they were, and as they are to come."

The General Boards of the Mutual Improvement Associations have listed the following ten reasons why members of the Church should attend the Association meetings and take part in the activities:

(1) It places one in companionship with the best elements in the community. (2) It gives unusual social advantages and provides wholesome recreation under proper leadership. (3) It affords opportunity to express one's self before the public, which in itself is valuable training for the duties of life. (4) It enables one to discover one's possibilities and to render actual service to others. (5) It satisfies every condition and want usually supplied by social societies, literary organizations and private clubs; and it teaches young men and young women proper conduct at dances and socials. (6) It develops the young man and boy in athletics and scout-

craft; and teaches the girls the essentials of home making. It provides for them both all forms of wholesome recreation. (7) It affords training in music, drama, dancing, public speaking, story-telling, and other fine arts, and helps one to find one's life work. (8) It gives one something to do; it keeps alive the ideals of noble ambitions and holds one in harmony with the truths of the Gospel. (9) It offers opportunities for the study of religious, ethical, social and industrial questions of the day from the Mormon point of view and under the influence of the spirit of the Gospel. (10) It makes one proud to belong to an organization of over 100,000 working for spiritual, social and intellectual advancement in its membership.

These young people are doing their work in a number of departments suited to their age, interests, capabilities and sex. The youngest boys go at once into Scouting and the girls into Beehive work which parallels somewhat the Boy Scout organization. After passing through the Scout programme, the boys gradually work into an older Scouting programme which has been developed. They remain in the group until they are

The Conference

SINCE 1935 the British Mission has been holding a mission-wide conference each year culminating the activities of the auxiliary organizations. Next week members and friends will gather at Bradford to take part in this annual event and enjoy the programmes prepared by the M.I.A., Primary and Relief Society on June 4th, 5th and 6th. In its very practical way Mormonism claims to be a religion that interests a person of any age and provides for his welfare. In this article Elder Harris describes the Mutual Improvement Association—one of the agencies for this purpose—and the place it fills in the life of the Church member. It is appropriate at this time that we review the activities of this great organization.

about seventeen years old when they pass into the M Men organization which carries them until they are about twenty-three. Above this age the work for young men and young women is joined.

When the Beehive girls complete their work at about fifteen they become Junior Girls for two years, after which they take up the Gleaner Girl's work during the years between seventeen and twenty-three, when they take up the joint activities.

Regular meetings of the Associations in all of the wards and branches in the Church are held each week. At these meetings the departmental work is carried on. The first Sunday evening in each month the Mutual Improvement Asso-

ciations hold a joint programme where the members have an opportunity to appear before the public to present such of their work as is of general interest.

The special assignment of the Mutual Improvement Associations is to care for the leisure time and recreational activities of the members of the Church. The leisure time of the young is devoted largely to play and social activities, whereas that of older persons is likely to be spent more largely in reading and other studious pursuits. To the school boy, study is work and his leisure time is spent in play that gives him a change from his work; to those persons who are engaged in physical work, study, reading and other activities of this type afford recreation.

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Bradford Conference Committees

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Official Programme
 M.I.A., Primary and Relief Society Conference
 Bradford - June 4th, 5th and 6th

SATURDAY, JUNE 4th

- 10 a.m.** Registration begins at Bradford Chapel.
 Chapel is located at Woodlands Street, off City Road. All conference visitors should report upon their arrival. Lodgings, tickets, programmes and enquiries will be taken care of at the Registration Office.
- 10 a.m.** **Gleaner, Bee Hive and Relief Society Exhibit Opens.**
 Bradford Chapel—Exhibit Rooms on Second Floor.
- 1.30 p.m.** Opening Session of Conference.
 M Men Speeches and Gleaner Choruses
 Bradford Chapel, Woodlands Street, off City Road.
- 4 p.m.** Baseball Game: Rochdale vs Sheffield.
 Greenfield Stadium, Dudley Hill, Bradford.



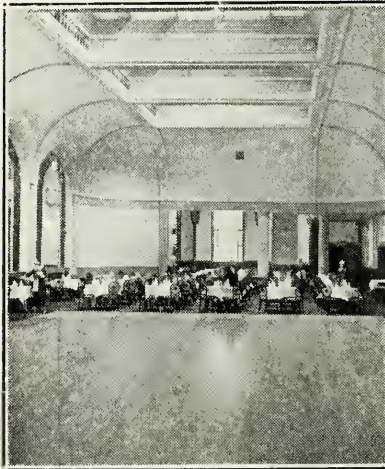
Mechanics Institute

- 6 p.m. District and Branch Presidencies' Meeting with President Brown.
Bradford Chapel.
- 7 p.m. One Act Play—"Missionaries All."
Prize winning play. Bradford Chapel Recreational Hall.
- 7.30 p.m. Supper Dance—Variety.
New Victoria Restaurant and Ballroom, New Victoria Street, Bradford.
Music by George Sutton and his band.
Allan G. Jennings and Elder A. Burt Keddington M.C's.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5th

- 8.30 a.m. Testimony Meeting.
Mechanics Institute, Bridge Street, Bradford.
- 10.30 a.m. Primary and Relief Society Conference.
Mechanics Institute.
- 12.45 p.m. Conference Luncheon.
The Rink, Manningham Lane, Bradford.
Toastmaster—"Mission."
- 2.30 p.m. M.I.A. Conference.
Mechanics Institute.
- 5.15 p.m. Conference Tea.
The Rink, Manningham Lane.
- 7 p.m. General Conference Session.
Mechanics Institute.

MONDAY, JUNE 6th



New Victoria Restaurant
and Ballroom

- 9 a.m. The M.I.A. "Model Mutual."
Bradford Chapel.
- 10.30 a.m. Question Time.
Bradford Chapel.
- 11 a.m. Demonstration Period — Primary and M.I.A.
Bradford Recreational Hall.
- 12 noon. Whitsuntide Luncheon.
The Rink, Manningham Lane, Bradford.
Toastmaster—"M.I.A."
- 1.30 p.m. M Men, Gleaner and Bee Hive Sports.
Horsefall Playing Field, Bradford.
- 5.15 p.m. Farewell Tea.
The Rink, Manningham Lane.
Toastmaster — "Primary."

- 7.30 p.m. Three Act Drama—"A Prince There Was."
Co-operative Hall, Southgate, off Thornton Road, Bradford.

A PRINCE THERE WAS

By GEORGE M. COHAN

Cast in order of appearance:

Bland	Arthur A. Butler	Short	Seth Young
Charles Martin	Reginald R. Brown	Katherine Woods,	
Jack Carruthers ..	A. Lucian Lewis	M.S.G.	Edith Rees
Comfort	Carol Rae Brown	Mr. Cricket	Marvin J. Ashton
Miss Vincent	Joan Davies	Delia	Gladys Sparks
Gladys Prouty	Louie Lawman	Messenger }	Manley Brown
Mrs. Prouty	Catherine Horner	Eddie	
Director	Edwin H. Lauber	Scenic Artist	Scott R. Clawson
Stage Manager	Paul Howells	Property }	Thornton Y. Booth
Asst. Stage Manager	Ben K. Wallace	Managers }	Norman J. Welker

Act I. Charles Martin's room at the Savoy Hotel.

Act II. The sitting room at Mrs. Prouty's Boarding House. Two days later.

Act III. Carruthers' Office. Three days later.

Music between acts by Miss Muriel Hunter and the Millennial Chorus.
Community Song—Carry On.

God Save the King.

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THURSDAY, MAY 26th, 1938

EDITORIAL

Work of the Auxiliaries

THE June Conference in Salt Lake City has taken on tremendous proportions. It has become an institution of great importance. Young folks look forward to it with genuinely excited expectations. Money is saved for the trip. Old automobiles are put into operating condition. Young people of the same neighbourhood pool their means and what is available in the way of transportation facilities and travel great distances to be in attendance.

Great Educational Institution

AND when all are assembled on this religious and festive occasion the programme goes into operation with such seriousness, intensity and effectiveness that this annual assembly of young people of the Church, M.I.A. and Primary workers, has become in reality a great educational institution.

There are departments so numerous and departmental work is of such a variety that every visitor is able to find something on the programme that arouses in him real gripping interest.

The Desired Effect

THE convention over, the programmes finished, the various representatives return to their homes greatly encouraged, all filled anew with ambition to make auxiliary work better and better. Each wants his work and his department in the local field to go forward with renewed energy and success.

Thus is leavened the whole lump. Thus is awakened anew enthusiastic support for M.I.A. and Primary work. The spirit of June Conferences is responsible largely for the progressive strides these two great and successful organizations have made during the years in which these intense religious, intellectual and cultural programmes have been prepared and presented to those who have attended these conferences.

Interest in Bradford Convention

AT district conferences and in the various branches of the British Mission it is easy to see that in every part of the Mission there is this same enthusiastic interest and support for the annual conference of auxiliary organizations which is to be held in Bradford, June 4th, 5th and 6th.

The activities of auxiliary officers are seen not only at the branch and district conferences, but in the reports which

from week to week have appeared in the STAR. The effectiveness and intensity of interest in auxiliary work in the various localities is most encouraging.

No active and interested Church worker could read the forecasts of the coming conference without having awakened or increased his desire and expectation to participate in the educational, inspirational and instructive annual mission-wide religious feast that will be held in Bradford this year.

An Indication of Strength.

THIS newly awakened interest is but an indication of the strength with which the people of these British Isles are coming forward to carry on to victory and success the great responsibility of presenting to the people the message of the Restored Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Nor is this interest and enthusiasm confined to the British Isles. It appears that practically all of the fourteen missions of the European Mission are preparing for similar mission-wide conference celebrations to be held at the same time—June 4th, 5th and 6th. And all of this is but an indication of the effectiveness with which the preaching of the Gospel is going forward under the general direction of the missionary force assisted by the residents of those various lands who are getting under the load and lifting, thus helping to carry it on.

The Future Outlook.

THE preaching of the Gospel, the delivering of the message to all the people in all the world may be delayed long; but it cannot, it will not be delayed forever. It will stand forever.

The work will go on until every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is the Christ. The work will not be completed until He who came as King of Kings and Lord of Lords is accepted by the people. Until war is done away with. Until spears are beaten into pruning hooks and swords into ploughshares. Then in very deed will come that glorious condition promised in the long ago of "peace on earth, good will toward men."—RICHARD R. LYMAN

A SMILE

A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. None so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, none so poor but that he can be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has no smile to give.—(Anonymous)

Talks on Doctrine

By ELDER MATTHIAS F. COWLEY

REPENTANCE

REPENTANCE follows faith as a natural sequence. If a man has faith in God and desires to serve Him and become like Him, his first thought will be to purify himself from all sin. "For I the Lord cannot look upon sin with the least degree of allowance." (D. & C. Sec. 1: 3)

This accords with the command of God through Peter upon the Day of Pentecost. "What shall we do," the penitent cried. "Repent," Peter answered. (Acts 2: 38)

What does repentance mean? "John did baptize in the wilderness and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins." (Mark 1: 4) Paul made it still more explicit when he said "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying: and grieve not the Spirit of God: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice." (Ephesians 4: 29-31)

True repentance is a contrite sorrow with a sincere desire to diligently right our wrongs. It is the forsaking of the wrong way and accepting the right path. Isaiah states, "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." (Isaiah 55: 7)

Paul further explains, "Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner,—For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." (II Corinthians 7: 9-10)

A godly sorrow leads to genuine repentance and all sins are entirely laid aside. This is the repentance taught and practised by true Christians and when it is properly linked with Faith, Baptism, and the Gift of the Holy Ghost entrance into the kingdom of heaven is made possible.

The Everlasting Gospel has been restored with its ancient gifts and blessings, and "God commandeth all men everywhere to repent," whether they be so-called Christians or infidels. Repentance is a principle and not merely an expression of penitent grief. It involves a reformation of life.

The sorrow of people in general when they have committed a wrong is not true repentance. This kind of sorrow does not work repentance to salvation. We find religious people sorrowing and sometimes confessing their sins, only to repeat sin. This is the sorrow of the world and needs to be repented of, because it savours so much of hypocrisy, and consequently "worketh death." True repentance consists, not in the outward expression of grief, but in forsaking sin.

True Religion Needs No Defence

By ELDER GLEN H. GRIMMETT

IT has been rightly said, "True religion needs no defence; all it needs is a hearing." This significant statement correlates with the counsel given by Jesus of Nazareth when He said, "Ye shall know them by their fruits."

During all periods of history, great men and their contributions to the world have needed no defence.

Captain George E. T. Eyston, British speed king and holder of the world's land speed record, does not need to stand at the side of his wonder-car, *The Thunderbolt*, and argue that it is the fastest car in the world. All he needs to do is to let the world watch it perform. It needs no defence. Thomas A. Edison, the world renowned inventor, never had to defend his light-globe invention. He merely suggested to the people to turn it on. By its "fruits" we knew it.

No intelligent man would judge the car until he had seen it perform or observed its motivating power. No one would doubt the value of the light-globe without seeing it act or without giving it a fair chance to demonstrate.

Religion should be treated similarly. It should not be judged until we have seen it perform or give a demonstration of itself.

Christ's life, character and behaviour have never needed defence. Wise Christians and missionaries are not seeking to defend the life of the Saviour; they are merely trying to let

the world see it as it really is, and give it an intelligent hearing. Thus they will be convinced of His divinity. Jesus Christ is known by His fruits. They came from a good tree. He never spent one minute of His time while upon the earth trying to defend Himself or His teachings. His life was one of true example, and needs no defence.

In His famous Sermon on the Mount the Master proclaimed this great fundamental truth: "Every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. . . . Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints proclaims to the world that it is a religion encompassing all truth. It asks the world to give its message a hearing and apply the test suggested by the Saviour, "By their fruits ye shall know them."

The Church is letting the world watch it perform and people who are "turning it on" are being inspired by its light.



"Ye Shall Know Them By
Their Fruits"

THE MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATIONS

(Continued from page 323)

In the Mutual Improvement plan an attempt is made to care for this leisure time of all of the members and to arrange a programme that will be recreational for each group. The idea behind this recreation, however, is not simply devising ways to spend time, but an attempt is made to have the recreation profitable as well as pleasant. The old idea that "an idle brain is the devil's work-shop" still holds. It becomes desirable, therefore, to see that the brain is not idle, by providing activities of a recreational nature when the young man or young woman has leisure.

The Associations have taken upon themselves the obligation of seeing that the members of the Church are provided with suitable activities during the times when they are not actually engaged in earning a living. For this they have provided a very diverse and rich programme. Many people have never learned to play and it is necessary to teach them how to engage in activities other than just work.

A study of the recreational programme of the Mutual Improvement Associations shows it to be one of the richest that has ever been devised. It includes the playing of all types of games and engaging in dancing, drama, music, hiking, camping, athletics, reading, and other kinds of wholesome activity that will enable a person to relax, to re-create, to enjoy himself and to live a rich and satisfying life of the kind that will contribute to permanent happiness and add to individual and community welfare.

The achievement work of the organizations has become very extensive. The participators include various types of musical activity, drama, speech, retold story, dancing and athletics.

One of the worthwhile features of the Mutual Improvement work during many years has been the reading course. It has been felt that no higher service could be rendered young people than to awaken in their minds a love for good books. No activity offers better opportunity for culture and general education. The reading of a good book has often changed the life of a boy or girl to the better way. In order to promote and direct the reading of good literature among young people of the Church, the General Boards annually recommend a reading course. Every effort is made to have the members of the association read these books. As an incentive, reports are made and the books are discussed.

Another type of activity is the slogan which is adopted each year to serve as a guide for action during the year. The following will show something of the type used. "We stand for thrift and economy." "We stand for service to God and country." "We stand for pure life through clean thought and action." "We stand for law, for the people who live it, and the officers who enforce it." "We stand for physical, mental, and spiritual health through observance of the Word of Wisdom."

These slogans are repeated frequently and throughout the year they are hung in a conspicuous place where the members of the organizations can see them and be reminded of the message. Each department of the Mutual Improvement Associations has a defined course of study which is published in manuals and for which supplementary material is given each month. Along with the direct course of study comes a project in which the members of the Association attempt to do something to help out the community.

The Mutual Improvement programme is one of great value to all who take part in it. It offers a means by which any person may live a better, happier, and more wholesome life. This is one of the fruits of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints of which the members are justly proud.

News of the Church in the World

NATIONAL Boy Scout leaders headed by Dr. Ray O. Wyland, director of relationships and education of the National



Council, will participate with the Church next month in the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Latter-day Saint Scouting. The presence of this group of prominent Scouters will help to make the June 12th anniversary the most

complete Scout gathering ever staged by the Church. A planned feature on the programme will be the international flag ceremony, representing the flags of the 22 nations in which the Latter-day Saint Scout troops operate.

MOTHERS of the Church were honoured with a memorial service Sunday, May 8th, in the Salt Lake Tabernacle. Elder Charles R. Mabey was speaker at the well-attended session. He spoke of Mother as "The Greatest Thing in the World."

Special appropriate numbers were provided by the Tabernacle Choir.

ELDER Levi Edgar Young of the First Council of Seventy was a featured speaker at a joint meeting of Jews and Latter-day Saint Church members held recently in Salt Lake City. The meetings are sponsored by the Jewish groups and Church leaders to promote brotherhood between members of the denominations.

AUGUSTUS D. ZANZIG, widely known musician, will conduct the fourth great M.I.A. music festival to be held in connection with the annual June conference. The selection was made by the M.I.A. General Board following successful negotiations with the artist. Approximately 2,000 singers from all sections of the Church will combine in a gigantic chorus, to be trained by Mr. Zanzig and presented in concert June 11th in the Tabernacle. Mr. Zanzig is a specialist in choral music. The group to come under his direction will be the largest choir ever assembled by the M.I.A.

LONDON DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICE

LAST of the spring conference sessions will be held on Sunday, May 29th, for London District. Meetings will be held in the North London Branch Chapel at 59, Clissold Road, N.16, and will commence at 11 a.m., 2.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. President Hugh B. Brown of the British Mission will be in attendance with other mission authorities and local leaders.

News of Current Interest

CANADIANS bought more Bibles in 1937 than in any year since 1932, according to the recent annual report of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada. The total number of copies sold was 311,767, an increase over 1936 of 22,625.

EXPLORERS of the far North report that where iron and wood are scarce, the Eskimos build their dog sleds without a single piece of iron. Only when the natives have been supplied with the material have they used iron in the construction of their well-built sleighs. Skins and hides are used for jointing since nails are not obtainable. The sleighs withstand their hard usage excellently and are found to last indefinitely. The runners of the sleighs are shod with ivory.

DAIRYMEN of New York recently discussed the possibility of converting surplus milk into a finishing material for car bodies. The process has been patented by William S. Murray, renown United States research chemist, and appears to have excellent possibilities. The process involves the mixture of milk solids, including casein and lactose, with a weak acid, a tanning agent and an alkaline material. The final product has fine preservative qualities and when applied adds brilliance and finish to car bodies. Should this invention, which is still in an experimental stage, prove successful, surplus milk problems will be solved.

OFFICIALS of Montreal urge the keeping of liquor advertising off of the air, to overcome juvenile delinquency in the community. This was cited as an urgent need in the city's attack on youth problems. Judge J. A. Robillard of the Juvenile Court also pleaded for more supervised playgrounds to keep children off the streets.

A STAMP collection so large that it takes a warehouse to hold it has been purchased by Mr. Albert H. Harris, London philatelist. The

stamp library was originally formed by the late Mr. F. A. Bellamy of Oxford. His aim was to get together the finest philatelic library in the world for presentation to Oxford University, but after spending more than £3,000 to achieve his aim it was too complete and Oxford was forced to decline the offer. They did not have enough available space to hold it. The library is said to rank second only to that in the British Museum. It comprises literature on stamps in many languages, amounting to more than 200,000 items. It weighs more than 10 tons.

COMPULSORY primary education is expected to be introduced into Bombay in the near future. Leaders of the city are endeavouring to pass measures whereby all children will be given the opportunity of education. At the present time only about 25 per cent. of the children now admitted into the lowest class of a primary school stay there long enough to become literate. With compulsory means and better school administration it is believed the education delinquency will be greatly improved.

CHESS is becoming more popular each year with students of British schools. A tournament, open to all boys under the age of 18, was recently staged at Hastings, and more than 50 boys from all sections of Britain gathered to participate. Most of the competitors in the tournament were champions of their schools so the tournament acted as a grand final. St. Paul's, Eton, Stowe, Charterhouse, Radley, St. Edward's and Reading were the public schools represented. School leaders are heartily in favour of the activity since it aids in developing the power of concentration in the youths.

BERLIN is not only the political capital of Germany, but is recognized as the athletic capital also. A recent survey revealed that at the present time there are 68 large

sports grounds, each covering seven and a half acres at least. The city is regarded as a sportsman's paradise with more than 1,000 acres of land devoted to sport and open-air recreation. This includes 164 sport grounds for tennis, with more than 1,000 courts. The space used for track sports, gymnastics and the like amounts to approximately 770 acres. More than 142 acres are devoted to water polo, swimming, and bathing establishments.

GLASS FERTILIZER, composed of powdered glass, may soon become popular with farmers. Dr. Harry F. Curtis, Chief Chemical Engineer of the Tennessee Valley, states that the fertilizer contains a higher concentration of plant food than any other phosphate fertilizer and that it is 16 per cent. cheaper. He also added that it has proved successful in tests, and that it has been found to contain 65 per cent. plant food content.

From the Mission Field

Transfer—

Elder S. Bruce Hanks was transferred from the British Mission Office to Manchester District, Friday, May 13th.

Doings in the Districts—

BIRMINGHAM—The M.I.A. activities of Nuneaton Branch were brought to a close Thursday, May 12th, in the Masonic Hall, Nuneaton, with a special social evening. A concert and dance was held under the supervision of Brother Edgar A. Cater, branch M.I.A. president. Artistes taking part on the programme included Mr. Dennis Berry, piano selections; Brother Clarence W. Linnett, character impersonations; Mr. Bernard Brown, vocal solos; Brother Clarence G. Linnett, imitations; Misses Christina Ison and Edna Evans, songs and dances; and Miss Kathleen Livesey, illuminated club swinger. A one-act play "Getting A Job" was also presented during the evening. Elders David S. King and Emmett L. Brown, Brothers William T. Seckington and Clarence W. Linnett, Sister Sarah Seckington and Miss Livesey took part in the production. Dancing concluded the evening's social. More than 60 people were in attendance.

LEEDS—On Saturday, May 7th, at Oakenshaw Park, Bradford Branch M Men won their first baseball match of the season by defeating Butterfields "Tanks" of Shipley, 32 to 8. The game was seven innings, with Elder Donald L. Johnson and

Brother Herbert Walker scoring home runs during the encounter.

MANCHESTER — Approximately 80 people attended a musical play revue, May 7th, in Rochdale Branch Chapel. Sister Lydia Pearson was producer of the display, while Sister Elizabeth Buckley was in charge of the music. The play was arranged by Miss Frances Odgen. Proceeds from the play were turned over for the building fund. Brothers George E. Dale and John Woodhead were stage managers during the evening.

Sunday School officers of Rochdale Branch sponsored a Mother's day service, Sunday, May 8th, in the branch chapel. All Mothers present were honoured guests. Evening services conveyed the same theme, with Branch President George E. Dale in charge. Sister Alice Ann Brown, oldest Mother in the Branch, was paid tribute to and given an opportunity to speak.

Activities of Rochdale Branch M.I.A. were brought to a close Wednesday, May 11th. A musical evening was sponsored by the M.I.A. heads. Refreshments were served during the evening.

A Primary social was held Saturday, May 14th, in Rochdale Branch Chapel. The children of the organization took an active part on the programme, giving individual items and group numbers. During the social Sister Ivy Kivell was crowned May Queen by Sister Edna Patricia Whitely. Primary officers of the branch were in charge of the activity.

NEWCASTLE—A wedding breakfast in honour of Brother Robert Hanna and Sister Clare Allason Hanna was held Saturday, April 30th, in West Hartlepool Branch Chapel, following their marriage. More than 100 people were in attendance for the occasion.

NOTTINGHAM — Eastwood Branch Relief Society was reorganized Monday, May 9th, under the direction of Elders Scott R. Clawson and Frederick W. Hopkins. Sister Margaret Wild was selected president with Sisters Harriet Parker and Mary Lily Flint, first and second counsellors, respectively. Sister Annie Wilde was named secretary.

Loughborough Branch Primary officers conducted a social recently in the Boys Club Hall, Loughborough. Approximately 130 people were in attendance. Sister Myrtle Bowler and Brother Albert Carter were in charge.

"Heaven's First Law" was the subject of Supervising Elder H. Warner Murphy's talk when he spoke to the North Evington School of Leicester on Sunday, May 1st.

MILLENNIAL CHORUS—The Millennial Chorus recently completed a most active spring tour. Through their songs and religious plays the group have been on exhibition in churches, cinemas, schools and social halls throughout England and Wales. Through their "Truth and Song" series the message of Mormonism has been brought to hun-

dreds. Some of the most recently fulfilled appointments by the group are: March 5th, L.D.S. Chapel, Lowestoft; March 12th, Castle Theatre, Merthyr Tydfil; March 19th, Co-op Hall, Mansfield; March 31st, Champness Hall, Rochdale; April 12th to 16th, Gaumont Palace, Doncaster; April 26th, Harfield Baptist Church, Bristol; May 1st, St. Agnes Church, Bristol; May 2nd, University of Bristol; May 9th to 14th, Regent Cinema, Bristol; and May 15th, L.D.S. Hall in Bristol. At the present time the group are making plans for their one week's engagement at Bradford beginning May 28th. Here they will appear twice daily on the stage of the New Victoria Theatre, largest Gaumont cinema in Britain. Their programme will include selections from light opera, selected negro spirituals and novelty numbers. Elder A. Burt Keddington is in charge of the songsters.

BRISTOL—Plymouth Branch held a combined branch conference and Mother's Day programme on Sunday, May 8th, in the branch hall. Speakers during the meeting were Supervising Elder A. Ferron Forsgren, Elder Ross S. Layton, Brother Reginald S. Mavin and Sister Maggie Mavin. All Mothers present were given a sheaf of lilies. Sister Betty Urion and Peter Urion presented the flowers during the service. Sister Mavin spoke on "The Responsibility of Parenthood in the Church."

PERSONAL

HANNA-ALLASON—On Saturday, April 30th, in West Hartlepool Branch Chapel, Brother Frederick W. Oates, Newcastle District president, performed a marriage ceremony uniting Brother Robert Han-

na and Sister Clare Allason. Brother Hanna is a member of South-west London Branch of London District, while Sister Allason is from West Hartlepool Branch. The couple will make their home in London.

DEATH

GENT—Funeral services for Brother George Albert Gent, son of Loughborough Branch President, George V. Gent and Sister Margaret E. Gent, who passed away Wednesday, May 11th, were conducted at Saffron Hill Cemetery, Saturday, May 14th. George was 13 years of

age at the time of his death. The services were conducted by Supervising Elder H. Warner Murphy, assisted by Brother George W. Winfield of Loughborough Branch. Elders Scott R. Clawson and Murphy were speakers. The grave was dedicated by Elder Dean E. Smith.

LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

(All meetings begin at 6.30 Sunday evenings unless otherwise indicated.)

- Aberdeen:**
Corn Exchange,
Hadden Street,
Off Market Street.
- Accrington:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
Over 9, Church St.
- Airdrie:**
†L. D. S. Hall,
40, Hallcraig Street.
- Barnsley:**
Arcade Buildings.
- Batley:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
13, Wellington Street.
- Beljast:**
†Arcade Buildings,
122, Upper North St.
- Birmingham:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
23, Booth Street,
Handsworth.
Council Schools,
Stratford Road,
Sparkbrook.
- Blackburn:**
L. D. S. Hall,
St. Peter's Street.
- Bolton:**
Corporation
Chambers.
- Bradford:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Woodlands Street,
Off City Road.
- Brighton:**
105, Queen's Road.
- Bristol:**
Hannah More Hall,
45, Park St., Clifton.
- Burnley:**
§L. D. S. Chapel,
1, Liverpool Road,
Rosegrove.
- Carusie:**
L. D. S. Hall,
Scotch Street.
- Clayton:**
*Central Hall.
- Derby:**
Unity Hall.
- Doncaster:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
Trafford Street.
- Dublin:**
†L. D. S. Hall,
8, Merrion Row.
- Eastwood:**
Library, Church St.
- Edinburgh:**
Ruskin House,
15, Windsor Street.
- Gainsborough:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
Curtis Yard.
- Gateshead:**
Westfield Hall,
Westfield Terrace.
- Glasgow:**
L. D. S. Hall,
4, Nelson Street.
- Gravesend:**
Freeborn Hall,
Peacock Street.
- Great Yarmouth:**
L. D. S. Hall,
33a, Regent Street.
- Grimbsby:**
Thrift Hall,
Pasture Street.
- Halifax:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
35, Brinton Terrace,
Off Hansen Lane.
- Hucknall:**
*Byron Buildings.
- Hull:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Wellington Lane, and
Berkeley Street.
- Hyde:**
L. D. S. Hall,
Reynolds Street.
- Kidderminster:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Park Street.
- Leeds:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
5, Westfield Road.
- Leicester:**
All Saints' Open,
Great Central Street.
- Letchworth:**
Vasanta Hall,
Gernon Walk.
- Liverpool:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
301, Edge Lane.
- London:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
59, Clissold Rd., N.16.
Ravenslea Chapel,
149, Nightingale Lane
S.W.12.
22, Doggett Road,
S.E.6.
Ivy Hall,
Wellesley Road,
Gunnersbury, W.4.
- Loughborough:**
Adult School.
- Lowestoft:**
L. D. S. Hall,
20, Clapham Road.
- Luton:**
Dallow Road Hall,
Corner of Dallow and
Naseby Roads.
- Mansfield:**
39a, Albert Street.
- Manchester:**
L. D. S. Hall,
88, Clarendon Road,
C. on M.
- Merthyr Tydfil:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Penyard Road.
- Middlesbrough:**
L. D. S. Hall,
188, Linthorpe Road.
- Nelson:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
10, Hibson Road.
- Northampton:**
*L. D. S. Chapel,
89, St. Michael's Str.
- North Walsham:**
Enquire:
32, Norwich Road.
- Nottingham:**
L. D. S. Hall,
8, Southwell Road.
- Norwich:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
60, Park Lane.
- Nuneaton:**
Masonic Hall.
- Oldham:**
L. D. S. Hall,
Neville Street.
- Plymouth:**
L. D. S. Hall,
34, Park Street,
Tavistock Road.
- Pontllanfraith:**
Enquire:
81, Brynteg Street.
- Portsmouth:**
Pimco Hall,
Heidelberg Road,
Southsea.
- Preston, Lancs:**
L. D. S. Hall,
7, Lords Walk,
Off North Road.
- Rawmarsh:**
L. D. S. Hall,
Main Street.
- Rochdale:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Lower Sheriff St.
- Sheffield:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
Corner of Ellesmere
and Lyons Roads.
- Shildon:**
*L. D. S. Hall,
100, Main Street.
- Skelton:**
*Scott Rooms,
Boosebeck Road,
Skelton Green.
- South Shields:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
98, Fowler Street.
- St. Albans:**
49, Spencer Street.
- Sunderland:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
18, Tunstall Road.
- Tipton, Wolverhampton**
L. D. S. Hall,
Washington Building,
Berry Street.
- Varteg:**
Memorial Hall.
- West Hartlepool:**
L. D. S. Chapel,
7, Osborne Road.
- Wigan:**
*L and Y Station.

§—6.15 p.m.

*—6.00 p.m.

†—7.00 p.m.

‡—2.30 p.m.

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